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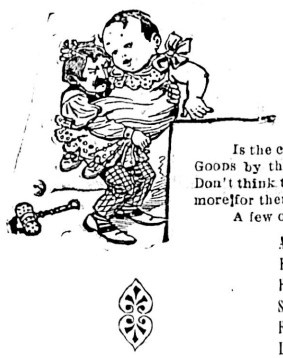

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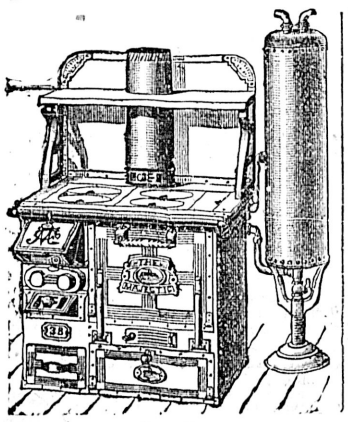

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VANCOUVER'S SMELTER.

Toronto Capitalists Believe They Have an Inside Track at the Terminal City.

TORONTO, Feb. 25.—The World says it has learned a Toronto syndicate has been organized for the purpose of erecting a smelter in Vancouver. Two outside companies, one of headquarters at London, Eng., and another centered in Denver, Col., has been dickering for some time with civil authorities at Vancouver, but Toronto men hope to beat them out yet.

BRITAIN'S POSITION.

Marquis Salisbury Presents the Promised Statement as to the Cretan Question,

Which Does Not Meet With Popular Approval in the United Kingdom.

Russian Policy Declared—The Bear's Antagonism Toward Britain Thinly Veiled.

LONDON, Feb. 25.—In the House of Lords to-day the Marquis of Salisbury, replying to a question from Lord Dunraven, said that, as the best means of placing the house in possession of facts of the moment in regard to Crete, he would read a telegram sent yesterday evening to the British ambassadors to the courts of the Great Powers. It was as follows:

"Inform the government to which you are accredited that Her Majesty's government proposes to make the following declaration of the policy which they intend to pursue, and which they believe is in accordance with the views of their allies:

"1. The establishment of an administrative autonomy in Crete as a necessary condition of the termination of the international occupation.

"2. That subject to the above condition, Crete ought in their judgment, to remain a portion of the Turkish Empire.

"3. The Turks and Greeks should be informed by the powers of this resolution.

"4. If Turkey and Greece should when required, persistently refuse to withdraw their military and naval forces from the island the powers should impose their decision by force upon the state so refusing."

The premier directed special attention to the words "when required," adding that it did not follow in the case of Turkey that the troops should be withdrawn immediately. On the other hand he explained the withdrawal of the Turkish troops was a necessary condition of autonomy. Therefore they would have to withdraw except in so far as they had been kept, as in the cases of the island of Samoa and Servia, simply as an indication of sovereignty, for all effective purposes, and in respect of all influences upon the government and daily life of the inhabitants that the Turkish troops would evidently have to be withdrawn when autonomy was established.

The Greek troops, the Premier imagined, would be required by the powers to withdraw at an earlier date. He believed this was the course the powers desired to pursue, but he could not go further into detail, believing that this was the necessary consequence of acting in concert.

Continuing, the Marquis of Salisbury remarked: "Of course, if the proposals which Her Majesty's government have ventured to present were recognized by the other powers as those animating their policy, it is impossible for the present state of things in Crete to indefinitely continue."

RUSSIA'S DECLARATION.

A Step Must Be Put to Greek Defiance of International Law.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 25.—A semi-official announcement of Russia's position in the Cretan crisis was made public to-day, accompanied by a long and involved statement of the motives actuating Russia, namely: That to prevent the extension of the revolution to other portions of the Turkish empire, imperiling the peace of Europe, a stop must be put to the action of Greece, which is in opposition to international law. Before negotiations for a future Cretan constitution can be entered upon, it is asserted that Russia has resolved to restore order in Crete. Then, after the Greek evacuation under the protection of the powers an autonomous government will be installed under the government of the Sultan. In this policy, it is claimed, Russia is supported by France, Germany and Austria. Neither Britain nor Italy is mentioned in the statement, but Greece is warned that should she, in blind conception of her own interests, allow herself to be excited by self-seeking friends to persist in her present attitude under the false idea that the powers are not united, because at the outset one or another has not concurred in Russia's proposal, Russia is resolved to take reprisals, the first being the blockade of the Piræus. The powers considered the Greek annexation of Crete out of the question, and it is asserted in the consciousness of their absolute support Russia will be in position to prevent the Cretan question imperiling the peace of Europe, even should any individual power refuse to accede to the proposed measure.

Russia, through the Russian minister at Athens, M. Konou, has called upon Greece to withdraw all her troops and her fleet from Crete within three days.

PUBLIC OPINION.

The Press of London in Touch With King George Rather Than Britain's Government.

LONDON, Feb. 25.—It is unofficially stated to-night that King George has sent the Prince of Wales an open worded telegram saying that the recall of the Greek forces from Crete by an ultimatum of the powers is impossible.

A dispatch to the Chronicle from Athens says: "During the interview with King George obtained by your correspondent on Wednesday, the King said: 'I cannot express my profound astonishment and grief upon learning that the representatives of the great Christian powers have not only permitted the Turkish force to employ as a military base a sphere they had taken under their protection in order to impose upon it neutrality and peace; but also positively caused their cannons to be fired upon the Christians, driven by outrage and massacre to struggle for life, liberty and religion. Nothing in the world until these events occurred would have induced me to believe in the possibility of such an act."

The Tory papers are now criticizing the concert of Europe. The Times this morning says:

"The powers exercise no effective control over the course of events, beyond the range of their guns and they may at any moment find themselves confronted with a state of things which will render ingenious diplomatic glosses too absurd to be longer adhered to. The powers seem afraid to move lest they provoke war, but unless they move speedily and to some purpose, war is likely to result from their inaction.

"If the concert is so ineffective in dealing with affairs in an island, what are we to expect when reforms in the continental dominions of the Sultan come up for serious consideration? The want of policy clearly defined and unanimously pursued may lead to a graver evil than anything Greece can do. At least three powers have to take account of popular feeling, which does not pay much heed to distinctions that seem important to diplomatists.

"Public opinion in England, France, Italy and, in a less degree, in Germany, does not understand the coercion of Greece. In the absence of definite agreement to settle the matter in some way they ask Greece to abstain from meddling without showing that they have any remedy to apply when she withdraws. Though not easy to see where the hitch occurs, it is plain enough that it exists. Public opinion is impatient and incredulous, and events are moving while diplomacy stands still."

The Pall Mall Gazette speaks of the intolerable dilatoriness of the powers, and says: "Added details about Sunday's bombardment make exceedingly nasty reading. When the ships ceased firing the Turks continued to shoot at the Christians, while the latter dared not reply. Thus the Turkish cannon were still busily engaged while the disheartened insurgents remained silent in fear of the shells of the powers.

"We want sharp measures, if necessary the occupation of the whole island, and certainly notice to quit to both Greeks and Turks, but not until Europe shows for whom and for what she is acting, by a plain pronouncement as to the future of the island. A mixed occupation of every accessible point in the island is demanded, and along with this, plain orders to both Greeks and Turks to clear out of the neighborhood of Crete. Europe has enough of this anarchy, this deliberate imperilling of the peace of the world."

WORLD'S NEWS TERSELY TOLD.

Telegrams of Last Night Condensed for Busy People's Reading.

From present indications, it will be months before murderer Butler takes his departure from San Francisco for Australia to stand his trial, as he will fight extradition through all the courts of the land.

The Senate, by a vote of 14 to 13, has killed the bill increasing the residence requisite to a divorce from 90 days to one year.

There is a hitch in the ratification of the British-Venezuelan treaty. By error due to haste, only the English copies of the treaty were sent to Caracas. Spanish copies have now been prepared and go to Caracas by the next steamer.

Reports have been received at Brisbane, Queensland, from New Guinea that the natives have murdered the government resident and a number of gold miners.

A TRAY OF DIAMONDS.

Messrs. Challoner, Mitchell & Co. Losers at the Hands of a Daring Burglar.

A telegram to Mr. W. L. Challoner yesterday from Mr. Mitchell—who is now at Rossland where the firm have a large branch store—conveyed to him the unpleasant news that his firm had been the victims of a daring burglar to the amount of about $5,000. No particulars were wired other than that the stolen property was chiefly in diamonds, which it would be exceedingly difficult to trace.

Later in the day the information came to hand that the burglar or burglars made their haul in the early evening on Wednesday, while Mr. Mitchell was at supper, and before the store was regularly closed for the night.

"The police," says a Rossland special to the COLONIST, "have made a round-up of the tinhorn element, gamblers and all suspicious characters, but have obtained no clue to Challoner, Mitchell & Co.'s missing property. The booty comprised diamonds, watches and solid jewelry."

HAVANA, Feb. 25.—The correspondent of the Associated Press is informed that Secretary Olney has cabled to Sanguilly advising him to withdraw his appeal and accept a pardon conditional upon his leaving the island of Cuba and engaging to have nothing to do hereafter with the revolution. The correspondent is further informed that Secretary Olney has expressed the hope that Sanguilly will accept his advice and keep his word, intimating that otherwise his American citizenship will have been cancelled.

WASHINGTON, D.C., Feb. 25.—Senor Delome received a telegram to-day from the Duke of Tetuon stating that the Queen has signed the pardon of Julius Sanguilly.

The hair of the head to be an ornament to the wearer should receive painstaking care, and if its color is faded Hall's Hair Renewer should be applied.

Hungarian flour, $1.35 per sack at Johns Bros., Douglas street. x

OPPOSITION INQUIRY.

Canada's Conservatives Will Demand an Explanation of the Recent Wholesale Dismissals.

Sir Charles Tupper Steadfast on the School Question—Territorial Requirements.

Gallant Mayor Bingham Proves Himself Unpardonably Selfish.

OTTAWA, Feb. 25.—(Special)—At a meeting of the French-Canadian Conservatives held here last night, Sir Charles Tupper hinted that the opposition would devote considerable time next session to the discussion of the wholesale dismissals from the public service. On the school question, speaking for himself, he declared if it could be shown the minority were not satisfied with the settlement, and came knocking again for relief, he would do as he had done previous to the 30th June, his opinion having undergone no change.

Premier Haultain, of the Northwest Territories, is here. He wants the Territories act changed to permit of the formation of an executive council instead of the executive committee appointed by the legislature; he says the Territories are not yet ready for provincial autonomy. A convention of the Liberal Conservatives of the Northwest Territories will be held at Regina on Saturday, March 6, to form a general Liberal Conservative association.

The secretary of the Dominion Rifle Association has officially announced that in all competitions at Bisley, counting the grand aggregate, the Lee-Metford or Lee-Enfield will alone be used this year. This shows the necessity of Canadian marksmen familiarizing themselves with the new rifles.

Mayor Bingham to-day entertained over 300 city ladies at luncheon. Madame Laurier and the wives of several members of the cabinet were present. No men were allowed in the room.

Premier Laurier was asked to-night for information about Fitzpatrick's visit to Rome, but had nothing to say.

The writ for Bonaventure has been issued, nomination day being fixed for March 6 and polling one week later.

Quebec cases only were taken up in the Supreme court to-day.

Hon. Mr. Blair is acting minister of militia.

BREACH OF FAITH ALLEGED.

Recent Wholesale Dismissals on the Intercolonial Thought to Be Traceable to Party Prejudice.

MONCTON, N.B., Feb. 25.—Sixty-six men employed in the Intercolonial railway shops have been notified that their services will not be required after March 9. No reason is assigned. Some of the hands notified have been in the service ten and twenty years.

It is stated that the discharge is a direct violation of the agreement entered into between Premier Laurier and Minister Blair and the railway executive. About fifty new hands have been taken on since the change in government.

"No doubt the victory of Lawson in St. Boniface has had a bad effect upon the Liberals' hopes here, and there will be no surprise among the well informed politicians if Premier Flynn carries the province by a large majority."

POLITICS IN QUEBEC.

Return of the Conservative Government Will Meet Expectations of the Observant.

TORONTO, Feb. 25.—(Special)—The World's Montreal correspondent says things are by no means prosperous in the local Liberal ranks, and the belief is almost general that Marchand will not be able to dislodge the Flynn government from power. Continuing the dispatch says:

"There is a very striking similarity between the position of the Dominion Conservatives prior to the late general election and that of the Quebec Liberals to-day. This most noticable in the wretchedly poor candidates they are bringing into the field and the want of harmony in a great many counties.

FOSTER CONVINCED.

The Ex-Minister of Finance Regards the Crow's Nest Road as a Necessity.

ROSSLAND, Feb. 25.—A special to the Miner from Kaslo states that Hon. Geo. E. Foster was banqueted by the the Conservatives there last evening, Mayor Green presiding. He said he was convinced that the Crow's Nest Pass railway was needed at once, and pledged the Opposition to support any reasonable plan for its immediate construction.

The Le Roi's new tramway is now in running order, and the hauling of ore in sleighs to the Red Mountain railway is discontinued.

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IN FOND REMEMBRANCE

The Directors of the P. O. Home Will Erect a Memorial Tablet,

To the Memory of J. G. Taylor—That Recent City Grant.

At the city hall yesterday evening the twenty-fourth annual general meeting of the subscribers to the Protestant Orphans' Home was held, there being president the following ladies and gentlemen who have long been prominently identified with the working of that worthy institution: Bishop Cridge, Charles Hayward (president), A. C. Flumerfelt (treasurer), John Jessop (secretary), E. Crow Baker, Rev. W. Leslie Clay, Noah Shakespeare, Mr. Kitto, Mrs. G. A. Sargison, Mrs. J. W. Williams, Mrs. Charles Kent, and Mrs. Charles Hayward. After routine business the president delivered his annual report, which, covering fully all home affairs for the year, is given in its entirety below:

"LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:—It is a subject for congratulation that the reports to be laid before you on this our twenty-fourth annual meeting will show that the home has received very liberal support during a year of marked depression, and that the beneficent work of the institution has thus been able to keep pace with the demands made upon it.

"While it was shown at our last annual meeting that the estimated cost for the maintenance of the 53 inmates then in the home was at least $3,700, there were some who were dismayed at the magnitude of the task. It will be seen, however, from the financial statement that the sum of $3,810.79 has been provided for us, and that we have thus been enabled to increase the number of inmates to 61. The managers are devoutly thankful for this generous response to their appeals.

"Among the donations is a special contribution of $250 from the city council, which has caused some comment. It should have been explained at the time that the $250 was more in the nature of payment for services rendered, than a free gift. During Mayor Teague's term in 1894 two children who had been deserted by both parents were left in a destitute condition at his office. At the mayor's request they were at once admitted and remained in the sheltering care of the home, with the understanding that when occasion arose the obligation would not be forgotten by the civic authorities.

"Included in the other welcome donations of the year is the handsome sum of $245 realized from a lacrosse match between the employes of the new parliament and post office buildings; $158.35 from an excursion by the steamship Joan, kindly placed at our disposal by the Messrs. Dunsmuir & Sons; $25 from United Service Lodge, A.F. & A.M.; and an entertainment by Mrs. Land and Mrs. Dudgeon which netted $17.25. The contributions of food, clothing, fuel, etc., during the year, which have been larger than ever, are acknowledged monthly by the matron, but are again thankfully alluded to here as they have been of great assistance to the ladies' committee, and have enabled them to show a less cost per capita than at any previous time.

"There are at present in the Home 30 boys and 31 girls, all of whom (with one exception) are in excellent health. The number of inmates at last report was 53; the number admitted during the year, 16; making a total of 69. Two were placed at service; none died; 6 were taken out by friends; and there are now 61 in the home. Our last three annual reports have shown the cost per capita of each inmate as follows: In 1893, $77 per annum; in 1894, $71.50; in 1895, $69.92. A careful scrutiny of the accounts for 1896 shows that the cost per capita has been reduced to $64.80. This gratifying result is due mainly to careful supervision of the ladies' committee, assisted by the efforts of our excellent matron, and by liberal donations of food and clothing, which do not figure on the financial statement.

"The hearty thanks of the committee are extended to Dr. G. L. Milne and Dr. Fraser for kindly rendered professional services, and to Dr. Lewis Hall for attention to the children's teeth. A legacy of $250 was received during the year from the estate of the late A. J. Langley, who had been for many years a liberal supporter and good friend of the home.

"The task of the incoming managers to provide say $3,900 during 1897 may be looked upon with comparative complacency. The generous responses of last year may be again relied upon, besides which there is the well-founded hope that some of the rich treasures of mother earth now being discovered in the province will be devoted to this noblest of charities."

The hon. treasurer's financial report and balance sheet for the year ending January 31, showed a total of receipts of $3,810.79 and of expenditures amounting to $3,413.84, leaving a balance in hand of $396.95. The principal items under the head of receipts were balance in hand at date of last report, $750.94; subscriptions, $1,304.15; donations, $952.10; legacy, $232.50; entertainments, etc., $421 and rents, $150.10. The detailed expenditure showed that supplies cost $1,321.62; salaries, $795.50; fuel and light, $239.30; interest, $675.82; insurance, $170; taxes, $163.60; printing and advertising, $56.50 and telephone, $48. Attached to the treasurer's statement was the auditor's certificate. The report was received and odered to be entered on the minutes.

The Secretary reported verbally, but on motion of Rev. W. L. Clay was requested to prepare a written report, in order that it might be embodied in the annual printed statement of the proceedings. The matron's report—which gave the names and ages of all the children in the home—like each of the others, was received and placed on the minutes. Before adjourning, the Chairman referred with regret to the sickness of an inmate of the home, a boy named Horne, who has been removed to the Jubilee hospital through a severe attack of pneumonia. Resolving into a committee meeting, the election of officers was proceeded with, and resulted in Mr. Charles Hayward being again chosen as president; Mr. A. C. Flumerfelt, as honorary treasurer; and Mr. John Jessop, as honorary secretary.

Each was highly complimented upon his faithful work, and their appeals for successors would not be listened to. The managers for the new year were chosen as below: For Episcopalian churches—Rt. Rev. Bishop Cridge, E. Crow Baker, A. C. Flumerfelt and Charles Hayward.

For the Presbyterian churches—Rev. W. Leslie Clay, James Hutcheson, Thorton Fell and Rev. Dr. Campbell.

For the Methodist churches—Rev. J. F. Betts, Noah Shakespeare, John Jessop, and A. J. McLellan.

The ladies' committees appointed were as follows: Episcopalian churches—Mrs. Charles Kent, Mrs. Charles Hayward, Mrs. J. D. Pemberton and Miss Carr. Methodist churches—Mrs. G. A. Sargison, Mrs. J. W. Williams, Mrs. Thomas Earle and Mrs. W. F. McCulloch. Presbyterian churches—Mrs. J. Hutcheson. Mrs. G. L. Milne, Mrs. S. Clarke and Mrs. Wm. Denny.

Mr. Shakespeare introduced the matter of placing a memorial stone in front of the Home in memory of the late John J. Taylor, whose liberal bequest the institution was erected. Mr. E. Crow Baker suggested that a memorial tablet might better answer the purpose, and this could be secured at a moderate cost. Accordingly, after paying a tribute to the departed, Bishop Cridge moved that the executive be directed to place on the outside of the building, as soon as funds may be available, a suitable memorial tablet.

This resolution was carried unanimously.

The chairman directed attention to the present bad condition of the roof of the Home, and said that a city contractor had volunteered to make the necessary repairs gratis if he was furnished with the necessary material. He found a metal apron for the apex of the roof was now necessary, and this would cost in the neighborhood of $60, which expenditure the meeting recommended.

After the appointment of a standing committee on finance—consisting of E. Crow Baker, James Hutcheson, Noah Shakespeare and the officers (ex-officio)—and the adoption of a vote of thanks to the officers, the meeting adjourned.

AGGRESSIVE POLICY.

The Grand Lodge of Templars Will Ask for Special Legislation.

Officers Elected and Nanaimo Chosen as Next Year's Meeting Place.

The third session of the Grand Lodge of Templars opened yesterday morning at 9 o'clock, when several proposed amendments were discussed, after which visitors were introduced. Mrs. Gordon Grant, representing the W.C.T.U. of Victoria, and Mr. W. C. Brown, of Vancouver, representiug the Total Abstinence Union, were presented by Mayor Shiles, of New Westminster; Dr. Lewis Hall, past grand chief templar, and Mrs. Hall, grand vice templar of the I.O.G.T., by Mr. O. J. B. Lane. These were welcomed by the Grand Councilor in a cordial manner, the visitors making suitable replies.

The temperance legislation committee's report was then discussed, this report being as follows:

The time is ripe for arousing the friends of temperance in the province to an effort to secure from the legislative assembly important reforms in the liquor laws and in their administration. In many respects our restrictive legislation is far behind that of the other provinces, and we should lose no time in making an earnest appeal to our legislators for at least such amendments as will bring our statutes abreast of public sentiment, which we believe is quite as advanced as in several sister provinces. To this end it is recommended:

1. That a standing committee be appointed on legislative action, with power to add to its numbers, authorized to promote co-operation with other organizations and with friends of the cause in the assembly, to bring prompt and legitimate pressure upon the provincial government, by deputation, petition and correspondence.

2. That the legislation sought shall be in the direction of a general and uniform enactment for the whole province, that will increase the restrictions and prohibitions of the retail trade in intoxicating liquors, that will entirely prohibit the sale on Saturday night and Sunday, and in the late night and early morning hours of all other days of the week; that will prohibit all association of gaming, raffling, billiard and card playing, with or in proximity to bar rooms and saloons; that will prohibit the use of screens, frosting, blinds, etc., on windows of liquor selling premises during prohibited hours; that will make the opening, lighting or using of bar-rooms or saloons during prohibited hours prima facie evidence of violation of the law; that will prohibit the sale or distribution of liquor at clubs or other public or semi-public places, except on licensed premises; that will prohibit the conduct or management of any liquor selling place by any other person than the bona fide owner of the license; that will permit the electors of any polling division to effectively petition against the granting or renewal of a license; that will make a substantial reduction in the number of licenses issued; that will provide for adequate penalties and proper enforcement; that grocery stores shall not be granted a license to sell liquor.

3. That in view of the probability of a national vote on prohibition, a special standing committee be appointed, with power to add to its number, authorized to provide for and direct vigorous public agitation in public meetings and circulation of literature, and to promote co-operation with other societies and friends of temperance for the thorough organization of the electorate for the campaign.

4. That "The Templar" medal contest movement be pressed upon our councils, a most effective method of presenting the best thought and argument of the reform, and for preparing the public mind for prohibition.

5. That our councils and membership be appealed to for earnest work in the extension of the circulation of "The Templar" and the "Templar Quarterly" in their neighborhoods.

6. That it is the desire and aim of this Grand Council to work in good fellowship and fraternal courtesy with sister temperance organizations, to encourage the friendliest relations and the heartiest co-operation in the prosecution of temperance work, and to encourage a distinct movement for a complete union of all Canadian temperance societies in one national temperance and prohibition order.

The report was adopted unanimously amidst great applause.

The report of the superintendent of the Cadet Templars was next taken and plans were made for the extension of this branch throughout the entire province.

The afternoon session was opened with the presentation of a banner to the New Westminster Council No. 1, which that branch had earned by enrolling the greatest number of members since the last Grand Council met in session.

The reception of further sessional reports, including those of the state and extension of the order, the finance and memorials committees followed, after which the following grand officers were elected:

Robert Buckland, grand councillor, New Westminster.

Mrs. M. M. Welch, grand vice-councillor, New Westminster.

O. J. B. Lane, grand chaplain, Victoria.

J. J. Johnston, grand secretary, New Westminster.

W. J. Hogg, grand treasurer, Vancouver.

A. B. Fraser, grand auditor, Victoria.

R. H. Rowe, grand herald, Nanaimo.

R. H. Langdale, grand deputy herald, Vancouver.

T. J. Beatty, grand guard, Vancouver.

J. C. Smith, grand sentinel, New Westminster.

Miss M. M. McGregor, grand superintendent of cadets, Victoria.

J. H. Yeo, grand superintendent of white cross, Victoria.

J. H. McGuire, grand trustee (three years), Vancouver.

W. A. Gleason, Dominion representative, Vancouver.

After election these officers were duly installed by General Manager W. W. Buchanan assisted by a guard of twenty-two cadets in full regalia. Votes of thanks were tendered to the retiring officers for their past services; to Mr. W. W. Buchanan for his presence at the session and to citizens of Victoria for the kind treatment the delegates have received at their hands.

After the meeting at St. Andrew's church last evening, a special meeting of the executive council was held at Sir William Wallace hall for the purpose of outlining the work for the ensuing year. During the afternoon session the Cadet Templars were put through an interesting drill for the edification of the Grand Council, after which an address was presented by the corps to the council.

Next year's Grand Lodge meeting will be held at Nanaimo.

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In the Matter of the Land Registry Act,

And in the Matter of the Title to Lot 994, in the City of Victoria.

Notice is hereby given that Gustav Sutro will be registered as the owner in fee of the above mentioned lot at the expiration of three calendar months from this date if no objection be made to the contrary within that time by some person claiming title to the same.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Registrar-General of Titles.

Land Registry Office, Victoria,
January 19th, 1897. ja19

The Lanark Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company, Limited L'y.

Notice is hereby given that a special meeting of the share and stockholders of the above-named Company will be held at the registered offices of such company, situate at 163 Cordova street, in the city of Vancouver, in the Province of British Columbia, on the 6th day of March, 1897, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, passing resolutions authorizing the above named company to sell and dispose of the whole or any part or portion of its property and assets.

Dated this 6th day of February, 1897.

By order

J. BUNTZEN,
Secretary.

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India Relief Fund.

In response to the following telegram from His Excellency, the Governor-General of Canada:

OTTAWA, 23rd January, 1897.

To His Honor; the Lieutenant-Governor of British Columbia, Victoria, B.C.:

After consultation with Dominion Ministry, I have undertaken to receive and to transmit contributions from all parts of the Dominion, in aid of the distress in India, and I trust I may have Your Honor's support and co-operation in this national expression of sympathy.

[Signed] ABERDEEN,
Governor-General.

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Are opened at the following places: City Hall, the Public Schools, Government Buildings, Supreme Court, COLONIST office, Times office, Province office and Board of Trade Building.

It is to be hoped that the people of this city will respond liberally to the appeal for assistance on behalf of millions of our fellow subjects in India who are now suffering from famine and pestilence. The smallest contributions will be thankfully received, and the total amount realized will, I feel confident, show that Victoria is equally ready with her sister cities in the East to contribute her share to the Canadian fund for the relief of suffering humanity.

CHARLES E. REDFERN,
Mayor.

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NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

An Amateur Operatic Troupe Delight Vancouverites—More Coal Found at English Bay.

The Church Emeute at Kaslo—Locks, Bolts and Bars Soon Fly Asunder.

VANCOUVER, Feb. 25.—The board of trade holds a general meeting to-morrow to consider suggestions of tariff changes and meet Mr. Maxwell, M.P.

The two Creighton gang men, Dubear and McKay, charged with stealing steel bars, have been remanded to the assizes.

Mr. M. Costello's syndicate, which has recently been boring for coal at South Vancouver, just beyond the city limits, have struck several small seams. At 215 feet the borers passed through a one-foot seam and several other rather thinner ones had been previously revealed at less depths. The drill hole is down 263 feet and boring still proceeds.

Lieut. C. C. Bennett, adjutant of the second battalion Fifth Royal Canadian Artillery, has been gazetted captain, which gives general satisfaction to the local corps.

Advices recently received here from a leading London, England, city man interested in mining, and on the lookout for British Columbia investments, are to the following suggestive report: "Owing to the political situation, mining matters are at a standstill. I hear very good accounts of the Lake of the Woods district, but the general impression here with regard to British Columbia ventures is that there has already been too much wild capitalization of properties which have not shown results, for which the only excuse is the results obtained in two or three mines. That portion of the city which interests itself in gold mining is doing nothing." The London Mining Journal has through a western Ontario correspondent of its own, been lately persistently booming Lake of the Woods gold ventures and in the same letter greatly depreciating British Columbia properties. Investors in England, moreover, misunderstood the Western method of company promotion and imagine that because mine companies here are generally registered in at least $500,000 nominal capital, such is a kind of standard value placed on a prospect or small group of prospects. These facts explain the allusions in the letter quoted.

The "Chimes of Normandy," was very successfully produced last night at the Opera house by the Vancouver Amateur Operatic Society. Mrs. Buntzen in the peasant girl's part of Serpolette was, as usual, attractively effective and made the best of a difficult part requiring sprightliness, beauty, facial expression and rare attention to small details. Mrs. Buntzen's rendition of the part was perfect, and the appreciation of the very large audience was manifested in no uncertain way throughout the evening. As the romantic heroine Germaine, Miss Gertrude Wood, an amateur actress not far advanced in her teens, took the part with surprising success for one so young, her voice being of great range and her singing good, whilst her acting for a first effort showed considerable promise. During the visit of Madame Albani to this city the famous singer tested the voice of Miss Wood at a private reception and advised her to take every care to have her voice properly cultivated, at the same time praising its sweetness and range. The part of Henri, Marquis de Corneville, was admirably taken by Mr. J. D. Scott, the well known favorite of Vancouver musical audiences, who was in excellent voice. Mr. Scott's tenor solos were all encored, and on no other previous occasion has Vancouver's popular tenor made such a genuine hit as he did last night. The difficult part of Gaspard, the miser, which Shiel Barry the great Irish actor first created in England, was in the hands of Mr. G. Hunt, sr., whose well known histrionic ability on the whole coped successfully with the many difficulties of the part, which requires uncommonly good acting, especially in the madness scene and subsequent pathetic episode of the broken miser's career.

For an amateur Mr. Hunt treated those present to the best piece of tragicomedy acting probably as yet displayed in Vancouver by local talent, showing particularly well in the trying mad scene. Mr. Fred. Crickmay looked very picturesque as the handsome but knavish young fisherman, Grenicheux. His acting was excellent, and he gave a pleasing vocal interpretation of a number of the melodies attached to his role, receiving a merited encore on all his solos. The comic part of the Bailie was in good hands with Mr. W. H. Cope, who sang the basso song of the part very effectively; Mr. H. A. Berry, the notary, was very funny as the Bailie's assistant, and the choruses, which were in the hands of a large number of well known local ladies and gentlemen, were quite exceptionally good, the grouping as a rule admirable and the costumes picturesque. The skirt dancing of the Misses Nicholson and Machin was another very attractive feature of the performance, and the male ballet, by eight well known artists of the sterner sex, earned the honor of the only double recall of the evening. The piece was well mounted with appropriate scenery. Mr. Bernard Hill, who had previously given assiduous attention at many rehearsals, proved himself a competent and experienced stage manager, and the musical portion of the performance was, needless to say, in competent hands under Mr. Werner, as conductor of an orchestra of sixteen. Miss Clara Wood, a sister of the talented Germaine, presided at the piano. The performance was repeated this evening, when another bumper house rewarded the efforts of the performers.

The demand for shares of mining companies operating in the Slocan district continues active. The Ibex seems to be a favorite in Manitoba and the Northwest, where large blocks have already been placed, and applications for further allotments are being constantly received. Nearer home the Rambler and Cariboo has taken a decidedly favorable position. The other day a Kaslo gentleman holding a large block of its shares was offered 42 cents per share for his entire holding, but refused. Later on there have been sales at considerably over 50 cents. Last Saturday 3,000 shares of Dardanelles stock were sold by a Kaslo broker at 20 cents per share. But this was a snap for the purchaser, as 25 cents have since been offered without finding any response. There are frequent enquiries for Noble Five Consolidated, but none are on the market at any price. Other stocks are firm and give ample evidence of the confidence which is everywhere felt in the resources of the district.

WESTMINSTER.

NEW WESTMINSTER, Feb. 25. — The Knights of Pythias here give a dance tomorrow night, and the Sons and Daughters of England a calico ball on Monday evening. The Sons of England Benefit Society here has meanwhile shown the way to other benevolent organizations by donating $5 to the Indian famine fund.

J. C. Douglas, recently fined $150 and costs at Chilliwack for selling liquor without a license, has failed in his appeal to Judge Bole for a reversal of sentence.

Rt. Rev. Dr. Dart, bishop of New Westminster, has succeeded in defending an action brought against him for principle and interest due on a parsonage house mortgage at Lansdowne, under a covenant in which the late Bishop Sillitoe covenanted for himself and his successors as Bishop of New Westminster. Justice McCreight held that the late bishop was not entitled to bind a successor in office by such a covenant, of which the latter could neither be cognisant nor derive benefit. A corporation sole cannot bind his successars on a personal obligation, was the gist of the important decision given in this case, which was that of Paris vs. the Lord Bishop of New Westminster. Mr. W. Myers Gray appeared for the defence.

KASLO.

(From the Kootenaian.)

The various mining properties on the south fork of Kaslo creek are receiving a good deal of attention from the outside world. The other day, at Spokane, two companies were organized to take over the claims of the Briggs brothers.

Harry Hughes, who was so seriously injured by being carried down with the Blue Bird slide some days ago, had so far recovered as to be able to come down from Cody on Tuesday last.

At some time on Wednesday night, the iron rod and fastenings which have barred the entrance to the English church building ever since the last Sunday evening, were wrenched off, and carried away. Dame rumor is busy as to what the further action will be, as writs issued out of the Supreme court at the instance of the Bishop of New Westminster had previously been served on some of the leaders of the low church party.

TRAIL.

(From the Trail Creek News.)

The members of the Methodist church have purchased two lots on the corner of Pine and Farwell streets, where they intend to erect a church building 28x50 feet.

The prospectors of Trail will meet at McPhee's hall shortly, for the purpose of organizing an exchange. It is proposed that when a prospector has a claim for sale, he shall list it. From the amount of the selling price of the claim, ten per cent. will be delivered, of which five per cent. will go to the party who works up the sale and the other five per cent. will be reserved for the expense of conducting the exchange.

ROSSLAND.

(From the Rossland Miner.)

The Walters company has secured for Eastern clients an option to purchase for $80,000 a four-fifths interest in the Pilgrim. This claim covers about 20 acres of ground adjoining the War Eagle on the north, and is bounded on the east and west by the Mugwump and Monita respectively.

Since Manager Durant returned from his trip to the East he has been busy getting posted on the developments on the Centre Star mine. Work progressed even more rapidly than he expected, and he now thinks the main tunnel, which is nearly 1,600 feet long, will reach the west end line of the claim about the first of March. No arrangements have yet been made with the Le Roi company for a connection between the two mines on this level, but such a connection will surely be made as it would be a great safeguard to both in case of an accident. The Le Roi people have only a short distance to drift to reach the Centre Star line.

(The Evening Record.)

M. R. Galusha has received some specimens of telluride ore taken from the winze of the Jumbo. The native telluride, of which there are large quantities in the specimens, will probably run $1,000 a ton. The quantity thus far is not large, but it is a strong indication of the richness of the ore.

Work on the private sewer which will drain the most congested district in the city was commenced this morning. The head of the sewer will be at Spokane street and Sour Dough alley, running under the International and the White house and emptying in the ditch on Washington street at Columbia avenue.

The tracklaying on the Trail & Robson railroad will be commenced on this end of the line. There are about two miles of grading to be done in Trail, and as soon as that is completed, which will be in about three weeks, tracklaying will be actually begun.

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"Ledge No. 1, as shown approximately on the sketch plan, varies in thickness from two to four feet. It is opened by shafts at three points and a twenty-five foot tunnel driven on the lead and is traced on the strike for about 600 feet. Some fifteen to twenty tons of ore are lying on the several dumps, a certified assay of which gives $207.45 per ton, of which $201.00 is gold and $6.45 silver, though picked specimens which I have examined would evidently give very many times that value, and I think I am well within the limit of probability when I suggest a general average of $200 00 per ton, while the average of the ledge will be, I believe fully $100.00 to the ton."

It will be seen from the foregoing extracts from the report that the Company has not been incorporated on a mere "prospect," but that it has a valuable and proven property. It may also be mentioned that other assays obtained from the quartz of the Athabasca, in addition to that referred to above, have given $96 00 $294.00, $300.00, $146.00, $9,800, and $17,760 to the ton.

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For Moresby and Pender Islands—Friday at o'clock.

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For Pender and Moresby Islands—Thursday at o'clock.

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THE CROW'S NEST PASS ROAD.

The reported disagreement among members of the cabinet as to the policy in regard to the construction of the Crow's Nest Pass railway may or may not have a foundation in fact. When Mr. Blair was out on the Coast he made no secret of his opinion that the road ought to be built as a government work. On the other hand the Toronto Globe has throughout the discussion appeared to favor the construction of the line by the Canadian Pacific. In this Province public opinion favors the plan which Mr. Blair is said to support, or as an alternative the construction of the work by a new company independent of the C.P.R. The reason of this differs in different localities. In Kootenay the people want to see the Crow's Nest Pass road made a competing line, and though they realize that the Eastern connection in the Dominion would be over the rails of the C.P.R. for the present, they look to the American roads, especially the Great Northern, with which a junction could be readily effected, to give them a competing route to the East. In a short time the lease of the roads from Calgary to Edmonton, and Calgary to McLeod, which the C.P.R. now holds, will expire and it is hoped that these lines would operate on an independent basis, by which means Kootenay would have the choice of two routes by which to get supplies from Alberta. On the Coast the wish to have the Crow's Nest Pass road built by some one else than the C.P.R. is due to the desire to see it ultimately extended so as to form a transcontinental line. There is no doubt that a considerable majority of the people of British Columbia desire very greatly to see a railway constructed across the Province south of the present transcontinental line and with ultimately such Canadian connections as will give a competing road from Montreal to the Coast. There are differences of opinion as to how this result can best be reached, but on the general proposition there is a pretty close approach to unanimity. There are, however, some who would be quite content to see the southern portion of the Province become Canadian Pacific territory subject to the competition from American lines. There are some arguments in favor of this view, but we think the weight of public opinion in the Province is against it.

A CRITIC AT SEA.

The Spokane Chronicle very severely condemns "the sort of lunacy now rampant in the District of Columbia" which is erecting a trocha against Canada, but says:

And yet, with all due regard for the feelings of our British Columbia cousins, when we look across the border to Victoria, we feel almost proud of our own species of political clams. The men in the District of Columbia are indeed doing all they can to cripple our foreign trade, ruin friendship and keep out honest, intelligent labor coming from the northern land; but thank heaven they are not doing their best to drive out competing railroads, and business men of enterprise, and put a handicap on foreign capital that will force it to promptly retire from the field and seek investment anywhere except in the development of the new districts that need it most.

Who has been stuffing our esteemed contemporary, and wherewith has it been stuffed? The legislature of our Province has been in session for a few weeks, but there has not been so much as the crossing of a "t" or the dotting of an "i" in the direction referred to by the Chronicle. No member, either on the government or the opposition side, has made even a remark, much less a speech, which will bear a construction so as to mean what our contemporary thinks is being done here. In fact the only proposition looking to interruption of the present trade relations of the two countries was a suggestion to ask the Dominion parliament to put a duty on ore, which "died a bornin'." And even this was not intended as an unfriendly demonstration against our neighbors, but simply as a moderate measure of protection to domestic labor.

INDIA AND THE SULTAN.

The COLONIST printed a few weeks ago a statement summarized from the London Times speaking of the dissatisfaction that is alleged to exist among the Mussulman population of India because of the treatment that the Sultan is receiving at the hands of certain public men in Great Britain. The other side of the case has been presented by Rev. Dr. McColl in one of the reviews. He takes the position that the Mussulman press of India does not reflect Mohammedan opinion in that country, and says that in point of fact the Mussulmans of the great Eastern dependency are profoundly indifferent to the fate of the Sultan. They do not recognize the ruler of Turkey as the Khalifa, in which respect they are not alone, for the Moors have even gone so far as to deny him the title of Sultan or to send a representative to his Court. The Moors allude to him simply as the Sheik of Constantinople. The Khalif, according to both sects of Mohammedanism, must be of the tribe of the Koriesh, and the Shiahs hold that he must be of the family of the prophet. The Turkish Sultan, Selim I, usurped the title in 1512, and his successors have since claimed it; but there have been other Khalifs, and it may be said that since 661 there has been no one whom all Mohammedans recognized as entitled to hold this high office. The Khalif was the absolute and final authority on all questions of a civil and religious character among Mohammedans, no matter of what nationality. He alone could proclaim "a holy war." There are numerous historical incidents which show that the power of the Sultan in this respect is not conceded by the doctors of Islam. Perhaps the most conspicuous was that of the Indian mutiny. Whether or not this was "a holy war" was referred not to the Sultan, but to the doctors of Mohammedan law in Delhi, who decided that it was not. The fact that there is in Constantinople an official known as the Sheik ul Islam, whose assent to all decrees of the Sultan is necessary to give them religious sanction, is additional proof that the Sultan is not Khalif.

The importance of this consideration consists in the fact that the British government, if it becomes necessary to discipline the Sultan, need not be deterred by any fear that by so doing the Mussulman population will be angered. Dr. McColl says that the object of the coterie, who control the Mussulman press, is to persuade the British government that the safety of India can only be secured by following their advice, but he assures the British public that these journalists only speak for themselves and not for their sixty million fellow religionists in India.

THE Rossland Miner says that the reports of the various railways indicate that there will be an influx of 100,000 people into this Province this year. If the whole Province were opened as Kootenay is this number would be more than doubled. Let the Dominion and the Provincial governments unite in a policy of development and our population will grow at a rate which will surpass even the phenomenal growth of the State of Washington in the decade ending 1890.

DR. STEPHEN EMMENS, an astronomer and author of a work on logic, has challenged the scientific world to prove that the moon revolves on its axis. The ordinarily received theory is that it rotates once for every time it revolves around the earth, and thus always presents the same face to this planet. As a matter of fact it makes no difference whether the moon rotates on an axis or not; but if it is demonstrable that it does not, the Newtonian theory will get a severe shock.

THE Times makes a point at the expense of the COLONIST when it asks if it is to understand from a paragraph that appeared in this paper yesterday that there will be an election next summer, that is, in the summer of 1897. So far as the COLONIST knows there will not be. The fact was that yesterday was so fine a day that the summer of 1897 seemed already at hand. We are not surprised that the Times detected the error for surely this to the Opposition is "the winter of their discontent."

IT is calculated to give one a rather contemptuous idea of the calibre of a newspaper to find it, like the San Francisco Chronicle, making an effort to ascertain whether more Canadians go across the line to work in the United States than Americans cross the same line to work in Canada, in order to find out whether the Corliss law is founded on good policy.

IT is now alleged that Li Hung Chang's trip around the world was intended simply to fool Europe and keep the diplomatists of that country from watching Russian intrigue too closely. This is probably the invention of some ingenious scribe, who was at a loss for a good story. Any Machiavellian trickery laid to Russia's door goes nowadays.

THE Columbian thinks it would be better for the government to give the poor prospector $5 than to charge him for a miner's licence. We do not think many prospectors object to the licence, and only quote our contemporary's observation to illustrate the loose way in which public matters are discussed by some papers.

UNDER British administration the island of Cyprus has a surplus revenue of $200,000 a year, and a late writer, who has studied the matter closely, says that if the Imperial government would definitely announce its intention to retain it, the island would become one of the most prosperous places in the world.

THE Vancouver World says it simply states what it knows to be a fact when it says that no further aid will be given at present to railways in British Columbia than is involved in the Crow's Nest Pass. Yet we must repeat that we decline to believe that the last word has been spoken on this question.

CORDITE, the new explosive, is pretty dangerous stuff. A test has been made by the officers of the royal arsenal at Woolwich, and it has been found that the explosion of one package would cause the explosion of other packages anywhere in the vicinity.

A NUMBER of prominent Nevada public men have announced their intention of taking their wives to see the fight between Fitzsimmons and Corbett; but we do not see that this warrants a contemporary in saying that there will be ladies present.

A NOVA SCOTIAN, who resides in Cuba, says that a Canadian protectorate would be welcomed by that island. All right. Just tow the island up north and anchor it off Cape Breton.

THE CANADIAN PRESS.

RAILWAYS AND COMMERCE.

Commerce in this country has to cope with too many restrictions without being placed at the mercy of railway corporations submitting to no control and owning no responsibility.—Calgary Herald.

A CRITICAL POINT.

The action of the government in regard to this railway is being anxiously awaited in the West, and will result in Mr. Laurier and his colleagues gaining or losing many friends. — Lethbridge News.

BY WAY OF VARIETY.

Mistress—That was a very nice letter of Patrick's offering you marriage, Mary. What shall I say in reply for you? "Tell him, mum, if you plaze, that when I get my wages raised next month, mum, I'll begin to save for the wedding things."—London Tid-Bits.

"We have called," said the chairman of the committee, "for some explanation of your wearing that plaid necktie in the pulpit Sabbath morning." "It was the only way I could think of," said the meek minister, "to keep the congregation awake."—Indianapolis Journal.

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LEGISLATIVE NOTES.

Mr. Semlin was quite anxious to know about the new kind of animals which the Farmers' Institute bill speaks about as likely to be introduced into the province. It is odd that the presence of the gentleman on his left did not suggest hydraulic rams to utilize the water rights on which he grows so eloquent, or that of the gentleman on his right did not suggest the sort of lambs which he is so anxious shall not be fleeced by "promoters"; or that the gentleman behind him did not suggest "bulls and bears," and that the whole atmosphere of the legislature and the lobby did not suggest stock.

The Farmers' Institute bill was under discussion in committee yesterday, and as far as progress was made the amendments were only verbal. The most interesting part of the measure will be taken up later.

The bill to provide for the incorporation of Nelson, Rossland and Grand Forks went through according to the understanding with the representatives of those towns. The amount which the first two cities, as they will become as soon as the Governor assents to the bill, may borrow for improvements is $50,000. Grand Forks is limited to $20,000. There was a little opposition from Mr. Kitchen to this part of the bill. Mr. Graham wanted the corporate area of Grand Forks cut down nearly one-half, and it was done on the assurance that it would meet the wishes of the people.

Apart from these two bills the proceedings of the afternoon were of a routine nature. Adjournment was taken until Monday.

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THE Valhalla held another of their pleasant dancing parties last eveing.

THIS afternoon has been fixed for the funeral of the late Mrs. Watson, of Saanichton.

A GENERAL meeting of the Jubilee hospital board is convened for Monday evening next.

A RAFFLE for a watch and a gold ring takes places at the London on the evening of the 27th.

AN enjoyable meeting was held by a number of the Spring Ridge young folks on Wednesday night, at the C.O.O.F. hall. Dancing was kept up until the small hours, all present spending a few delightful hours.

CHOIRMASTER J. G. Burnett, of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, gives the second of his series of popular recitals next Tuesday evening. Miss Jameson, Mr. J. G. Brown and Mr. J. Pilling are among the soloists who will assist.

THE congregation of the First Baptist church of Vancouver have presented Rev. R. W. Trotter of this city—who has been assisting Rev. Mr. Stockhouse in his pastoral duties—with a handsome "Beaver" cane and a most complimentary address.

AH TONG, a Chinaman, attempted to end his life at 32 Store street about midday yesterday. Upon the arrival of the city health officer it was found that the windpipe was severed but that the arteries were intact. Ah Tong was then removed to the Jubilee hospital, where the wound was stitched up. It is thought that the patient will soon recover.

ON Tuesday evening the annual meeting of the Victoria Missionary Society will be held in the Centennial Methodist church, when addresses will be given by Rev. T. W. Hall, of Nanaimo; Rev. McEwen, of Emanuel Baptist, Spring Ridge; Rev. J. C. Spencer and Rev. J. F. Betts. A special musical programme by the choir of the Centennial church will be rendered in connection with the event.

THE commissioner recently appointed to inquire into the affair of the Dominion Crown timber agency in British Columbia, Mr. Archer Martin, has returned from New Westminster, where he arranged to open the commission on the 19th March. The Dominion Crown timber agent, Mr. T. S. Higginson, has been suspended pending the investigation. New Westminster will, in all probability, be not the only place visited in the province by the commission.

"THE PRODIGAL FATHER," which will be seen at the Victoria theatre Tuesday, furnishes an audience with any amount of fun and frolic. There are few pieces of the same order that are fuller of chances for a good company, and this production of "Prodigal Father" is in the hands of very capable people. There is a tramp, a policeman, a dude and a number of other people, all of whom are indigenous to the soil of farce-comedy, and they keep at the fun making from the beginning to the end of the performance. Of pretty girls there are five or six. In this bevy Miss Fair is the leader, and in a hoydenish, rollicking way she sets the pace for her lovely playmates. More than half the time the plot of the piece goes out of sight altogether and on its ruins rises a host of performers with songs, dances and imitations. This part of the performance is entirely satisfactory.

REV. WILLIAM STONE is over from the West Coast to apply for an investigation into the several charges made against him by some of the residents of Nitinat and district. The charges are that he has been inciting the Indian police to use violence and holding court among the Indians, imposing fines and misappropriating the same. These charges are absolutely denied by Mr. Stone. When the Indians have had petty troubles amongst themselves, he says, he has acted as arbitrator for them, but has never imposed a fine, nor benefitted in a pecuniary sense from any of these cases. The petition for his removal circulated among the Indians some weeks ago, was written in English, and the Indians who subscribed to it did so in many cases in utter ignorance of its contents. The circulators of the petition told several different stories, but the chief argument used to induce the Indians to sign was, that Mr. Stone was opposed to the "potlatch." The charges laid against Mr. D. Logan, justice of the peace for the same district, were proved conclusively to be false.

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HOPE lodge, Degree of Honor, will give a magic lantern exhibition and social dance in A.O.U.W. hall on Thursday evening of next week.

Two weeks from this evening a novel entertainment will be given in the school room of the Centennial Methodist church. The social will be distinctly under male management, the ladies in the case being totally ignored. One of its special attractions will be a prize competition for the best made cake, a bona fide male production.

THE lecture delivered in the A.O.U.W. hall last evening by Mr. J. W. Laing, M.A., in aid of the Indian famine fund, attracted an audience that was only limited by the capacity of the hall. The subject was "India, its peoples, palaces and tombs," and was handled by the lecturer in a style that was remarkably clear, forcible and attractive. The stereopticon views were distinct and very successfully put on. No brief review can do justice to the very thorough manner in which the talented lecturer dealt with his interesting theme. Several members of the Arion club rendered vocal selections with the excellence which marks all the work of that organization. Yesterday's additions to the fund amounts to $165.30, of which sum the Canada Paint Co., and their employees contributed $50; the other donations being: To the Bank of B.N.A.—W. Allan, $5; W. G. McKenzie, $5; A. W. More, $5; to the Bank of B.C.—per Nelson branch, $15; Presbyterian Sunday school, Kamloops, $18; J. W. Laing, $5; Homer street Methodist church, Vancouver, $51.30; Miss Palmer, Kamloops, $1; and D. Spencer, $10.

A GORDON RIVER FIND.

Promising Ledge Thirty Feet Wide Discovered by Victorians.

Julius West, who is just back from a prospecting trip on the West Coast, has brought home a number of samples from a big find on the Gordon river. One day a couple of weeks ago he, with J. Deacon and J. Currie, found, where a tree had fallen close to the water's edge, a ledge of mineral laid bare. They examined the spot and found that there was a ledge 30 feet wide of iron and copper, which they traced up the steep hill side for over 500 feet. A light grey surface quartz assayed $2 in gold, and when a few shots were put in it showed that there was a great body of ore somewhat similar in looks to the Black Prince, another claim in the district in which Mr. West is interested. The Black Prince was one of the first claims staked in the Gordon river country last July, samples assaying as high on the surface as $18 in gold. The new finds are practically extensions of the Black Prince, and Mr. West considers he has a wonderfully fine prospect which he expects to see turn out well. In another week or two he will return to Gordon river with a number of men and start work, thoroughly prospecting the property. The claim on the water's edge is called the Corbett and the Fitzsimmons is located adjoining it. Altogether there are over 40 claims staked out in the Gordon river district and Mr. West thinks that development will prove the mines very valuable.

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AN OPEN VERDICT.

Conclusion of the Coroner's Inquiry Into the Death of James McArthur.

Unsatisfactory Testimony Calls for Stinging Rebuke—Subsequent Proceedings Possible.

Yesterday saw the close of the coroner's inquiry into the death of Engineer James McArthur, sufficient evidence being adduced to show that he had been in an aggressive mood during the evening of his death, and had actually exchanged blows in the card room of the Clarence hotel with Frank Baines—who proved a most open and honest witness. He told his story frankly and without reserve, but even with it to guide them the jury could not definitely determine how McArthur received the blow on the neck, from the effects of which he died. An open verdict as to primary cause was therefore returned. The sensational feature of the second day—of the entire inquest in fact—was the strong language adopted by the coroner in regard to the testimony of one or two of the witnesses. Dr. Crompton did not hesitate to express his opinion that they had purposely made grave mis-statements of fact in order to conceal material evidence, and it was currently reported last evening that actions for perjury would be a sequel of the inquest. Nothing has been done by the police, however, and it is most probable that the end of the case has been seen. As to Frank Baines, his unfortunate part in the affair was forced upon him, and his honest explanation of his participation in the quarrel at the hotel so much impressed the coroner and jury as to call for special comment. He feels deeply his unfortunate position and has many friends to sympathize with him. There is in his case no suggestion of subsequent proceedings, as any injury McArthur might have received at his hand would have been purest accident.

At the resumed inquiry yesterday the first witness called was Frank Baines, who had much to inform the jury of which hardly concurred with the testimony previously produced. He testified that he had been in the card room of the Clarence hotel on Saturday night when McArthur wished to join in a game about to be started. McDonald was called in and took deceased out, but McArthur came back and grabbed hold of the cards—and witness then told him to get out. McArthur at this "got mad," came round to where witness was sitting and took hold of him round the neck with both hands. Baines jumped up and freed himself, and the two stood up together in sparring attitude. Fletcher caught hold of witness, and some other man took hold of deceased. They both broke away from their holders, however, and struck at one another again. Someone then came between them, pushing each back, and McCarthy fell onto a chair, and when McDonald came in deceased's feet were between the rungs. McArthur was again removed by McDonald, but once more came in in a few moments and put out his hand to witness as though to shake hands. Witness put out his hand for this purpose, whereupon McArthur "showed fight and wanted to scrap" with him. McDonald, who had followed him in, took him out immediately. None of the card players were the worse for liquor. McArthur was not stunned when he fell; he could not have struck a chair. Witness might have struck him in the "scrap"—no one else struck him. Witness would not or could not say who pushed McArthur. On being questioned by a juryman, he continued:

"I heard of McArthur's death about 11 o'clock that night. McDonald came into the room and said 'This must be kept quiet,' or words to that effect. I did not say anything to McDonald. Fletcher, McBrady, Rose and Richardson were present."

Questioned by the Coroner, witness acknowledged having talked over the matter with most of the witnesses, including Fletcher. McDonald was the one who first told him that McArthur did not die of heart disease.

W. R. McLean was the next witness. He corroborated the former witness to a great extent, but had not seen whether either of the participants in the "scrap" struck the other. They struck at one another but he could not tell whether the blows landed. Fletcher held Baines and Rose held the deceased. They got together again and Rose separated them. McArthur got his legs tangled in the chair and fell. He was right on the floor. Witness could not say whether the deceased struck his head on the chair or not. McDonald look him out. When deceased came in again, he proffered to shake hands with Baines, but immediately began wrenching that young man's hand and the proprietor who had followed him in took him out immediately.

P. Corcoran gave corroborative evidence as regarded the trouble in the card-room, but stated, to the best of his knowledge, that McArthur fell into a chair, and from there to the floor. When deceased was in the act of falling he swung his left arm around and struck witness on the face, the blow cutting his lip. This was involuntary.

D. McBrady also gave evidence as to the trouble between Baines and the deceased. A tall man got between the combatants and pushed them apart. McArthur in stepping back, sank, rather than fell, against McLean's chair. He did not fall right to the floor, but seemed to rest partly on his left side and elbow. It was quite possible that his head might have struck the chair. Witness did not remember McDonald coming into the room after deceased's body was found and saying that the matter must be kept quiet.

The foreman of the jury, Mr. Fawcett, asked that Fletcher and Rose, two of Tuesday's witnesses, might be recalled, so that they might have a chance of correcting their evidence. These witnesses he said had evidently made gross misstatements in an effort to hush the matter up. McDonald was, however, called first to explain some discrepancies in his evidence.

This witness on hearing his previous evidence read over, testified that he three times last Saturday night removed McArthur from the card room—first at the request of Fletcher, again when the witness Bishop drew his attention to a noise in the card room, when he found McArthur on the floor. He then lifted a chair off his leg, and deceased got up at once and followed him out. The third time was when the deceased entered by the back door; he then followed and took him out immediately by the way he came in.

This latter statement is contradicted by other witnesses, who aver that McDonald removed him by the barroom door. As regards the charges made by witnesses as to keeping the matter quiet, witness said that Mr. Lehey came into the Clarence about 11 o'clock on Saturday night and asked if there was a doctor present, as Mr. McArthur had fallen near the London block and might be hurt. Witness advised him to go for Dr. Fraser. Mr. Walker next came in, and he was told of it, and asked to bring McArthur back to the house.

He might have said it would be well not to say too much about it. He did not strike deceased, nor did he know that deceased had taken Baines by the throat when he heard Fletcher and Rose give evidence on Tuesday.

The Coroner, to witness—"I think you might have given your evidence in a more straightforward manner before. As it is, it seems you have been trying to conceal material facts. This has caused the court a great deal of trouble and reflects no credit upon yourself. Had you told the jury in the first case that there had been a fight in your house, and that you were sorry for it, they would have been able to come to a conclusion earlier and you would have suffered nothing by it. The only inference I can make is that you were trying to shield one of your customers."

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PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

Third Session of the Seventh Parliament.

THIRTEENTH DAY.

THURSDAY, Feb. 24.

The Speaker took the chair at 2 o'clock. Prayers by Rev. Dr. Wilson.

Major Mutter presented a report from the printing committee, recommending that certain returns already presented to the house be printed. The report was adopted.

Mr. Booth, for the private bills committee, recommended that the petition of Alexander Begg & Sons be received; and also reported the preamble proved in the bill to amend the Lillooet, Fraser River & Cariboo Gold Fields, Limited, Act, 1896. The report was adopted.

Mr. Helmcken presented a petition from Alexander Begg & Sons for a bill to incorporate a railway from the Stickeen river to Teslin lake. The petition was read and received.

Mr. Walkem moved, seconded by Mr. Helmcken for a detailed statement of the liability of the province for $22,596.14, and for which a vote was passed in the session of 1895-96 under "schedule B"; and also of any further liability, if any, which might have been included under the same vote.

The motion was carried.

The house went into committee on the Farmer's Institutes Cooperation Act, Mr. Rithet in the chair.

In regard to section 4, which provides for the importation of seeds, plants and animals "of new and valuable kinds." Mr. Semlin wanted to know what was "a new animal."

The Premier replied that the expression was taken from the Ontario act, the province from which the leader of the opposition came. For example he understood that the alpaca sheep, camels and other animals new to the country had been introduced into the United States and perhaps the leader of the opposition might want to put elephants on his own farm. (Laughter.)

Mr. Semlin replied that a "new animal" seemed to point to something that had hitherto not been known in the scale of creation.

The Premier, however, did not read the section in that light; he looked upon it as meaning a breed of animal new to this province.

In section 13, the sub-section (d) providing that the institutes had to hold at least three regular meetings a year was struck out, it being decided that the matter would be best settled in the rules governing the institutes.

Section 15, which named the different branches in which the institutes could carrying on cooperation, was laid over at the request of the Premier, as was also section 19, providing for agricultural associations amalgamating with the central institute.

The committee reported and will sit again on Monday.

Mr. Cotton presented the Kootenay Power and Light Company bill. It was read a first time and referred to committee.

The house went into committee of the whole on the Speedy Incorporations of Towns bill, Mr. Macpherson in the chair.

When the provisions relating to the qualifications for mayor and aldermen were reached, the Attorney General read a telegram which had been received from Rossland to the following effect:

"On behalf of ourselves and other ratepayers we request that the incorporation act of Rossland should not contain any provision requiring a residence qualification for mayor, but only freehold qualification. Resident qualification will disqualify a number of good men we want to see in the council."

(Signed) R. J. BEALEY,
ROSS THOMPSON,
C. O'BRIEN REDDON,
C. F. JACKSON,
E. J. BOWES,
JOHN R. COOK.

The Attorney-General said he thought it proper to present the telegram to the house so that the members might take action or not on the request as thought best.

The committee decided not to alter the qualifications.

The limit authorized to be borrowed this year for necessary works by Rossland and Nelson, was fixed at $50,000, but some discussion arose over what should be the limit for Three Forks.

The Attorney-General stated that the population of Grand Forks was stated to be 600 to 800, and growing daily.

Mr. Stoddart had heard there was some opposition by people in the proposed limits of Grand Forks to incorporation.

Mr. Kitchen did not see the hurry for incorporating Grand Forks—the necessity was not pressing as in the cases of Rossland or Nelson. However, he was opposed to granting the permission to borrow $20,000.

Mr. Graham understood that there had been opposition to the incorporation of Grand Forks by some of the people, but that day had received a resolution passed at a mass meeting at Grand Forks withdrawing the opposition, and in that event he did not see why incorporation should not be granted.

Mr. Speaker, for the information of the committee, stated that a few weeks ago he had been present at the town where a meeting had declared unanimously in favor of incorporation. Since then some opposition had been shown by persons who did not want their property to be taken in. He had understood now that the elimination of that particular section of land from the proposed limits had overcome any objections. It was an act of economy to the province to relieve itself of the responsibility of having to look after the sanitary condition of these new towns which were growing very rapidly and needed very necessary public works.

The section was passed, and the amount which Grand Forks may borrow was placed at $20,000.

Section 12 read: "It shall be lawful for the council to dispose of sewage by depositing the same at some point outside the limits of the municipality, in such manner as may be found expedient, and from time to time to expropriate, take and hold such lands, both in and beyond the limits of the said municipality, as may be considered by the council to be right and necessary for the purposes aforesaid."

Mr. Hume moved to insert as a subsection: "It shall be lawful for the said cities, and they are hereby empowered at any time hereafter, to take and divert from any stream or streams, as may be found most suitable, and to appropriate and use sufficient unappropriated water for all public purposes of the said municipalities, and from time to time to construct all works that may be necessary for efficiently using such water, and to erect dams, raceways and all works which may be necessary for the maintenance of such water privileges, and to exercise all the power mentioned in the Water Privileges Act, 1892."

The amendmen was carried.

Hon. D. M. Eberts when the schedule was reached, stated that he had just received a petition signed by R. E. Lemon (chairman), and C. E. Race (secretary), of a meeting held at Nelson on February 17, asking that lot 150, group 1, be added to the town.

Mr. Hume remarked that the people who were living in the addition spoken of did not want to be incorporated.

Mr. Kellie also opposed putting in this addition. The delegates from the City of Nelson were now here and were the proper people to deal with. It was very easy for a few people to obtain a meeting and send down resolutions which perhaps were of little weight.

The amendment to add lot 150, group 1, was lost.

At the request of Mr. Graham an amendment was introduced by the Attorney-General eliminating lot 380 from the bounds of Grand Forks. The amendment was carried, and had the effect of reducing the area of the town from 1,057 to 737 acres.

The committee rose and reported the bill complete with amendments, the report being set down for consideration at the next sitting.

Mr. Kellie presented the bill to incorporate the Revelstoke, Trout Lake and Big Bend Telephone Co., Ltd.; the bill was read a first time and referred to the private bills committee.

The Premier, in moving the adjournment of the house till Monday, said that the government had so many pressing matters before them for consideration that the recess was very necessary.

The motion was carried, and the house adjourned, after receiving a petition presented by Captain Irving, asking leave to introduce a bill to incorporate a railway from the head of Taku inlet to Teslin lake.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

By Mr. Semlin—For all correspondence between the government or any member thereof and any person or persons in reference to the rental of the government reserve in Pleasant Valley, Cariboo district.

Mr. Kitchen—To move on consideration of the report of the "Speedy Incorporation of Towns bill" to strike out the provision giving Grand Forks power to borrow $20,000.

Mr. Helmcken—To move for a copy of the contract relating to the building of the Point Ellice bridge, which collapsed last year, and of the evidence given before the coroner and the findings of the jury on the holding of the investigation into the cause of the accident which occurred on the 26th day of May last past, together with the reports, if any, made during the time the bridge was under the control of the government by any officer of the government or any person for the government relating to the strength and carrying capacity of such bridge.

Mr. Helmcken—To move for a special committee consisting of Messrs. Booth, Mutter, Cotton, Sword and the mover, to revise the rules and orders of this house, with power to report.

By Mr. Helmcken—To ask the Premier, "Has the government, or any member thereof, taken any step (and if so, what) with the corporation of the city of Victoria, or any member thereof, and the Consolidated Railway Co., or any member thereof, leading to or suggesting a settlement of the claims of all persons who sustained injury or damage by reason of the Point Ellice bridge accident on May 26 last.

WATER RIGHTS.

TO THE EDITOR:—The discussion in the house to-day over the water rights question showed plainly that a majority of the members of the assembly favor the passage of a general law. Notwithstanding the contentions of the Provincial Secretary, the present laws relating to water rights are not general in their scope. If they are, why is it that the application of the city of Kaslo for a right to divert water from Kaslo river for the uses of the municipality was refused by the assistant commissioner of land and works for West Kootenay district, and why did the same official refuse to record a water right applied for by a company actually engaged in putting in waterworks for the town of Trail? The same official also refused the application of the Noble Five Mining Company, at Cody, in Slocan district; the water, in that case, being wanted to run an ore concentrating mill. There must be some ambiguity in the present laws, or why are so many applications for water rights for widely different purposes refused? Were the practical workings of the question understood, the finance minister would not hesitate a day in bringing down a general water privileges bill for the enactment of such a bill would be a great source of revenue. As an illustration, the electric light company at Nelson uses 350 miners' inches of water in developing 100 horse power. Aside from repairs to dam and flume, the cost of operating the plant, so far as motive power is concerned, is less than two dollars a month. Were the company forced to use steam for motive power, the fuel bill alone would be $200 a month. The Hall Mines smelter at Nelson uses water from the electric light company's flume, and the company saves not less than $30 a day by so doing. Yet neither of these companies pay the province a dollar for the privilege of using water. The following companies operating in Slocan district use water for motive power, namely, Byron N. White Company, Noble Five Consolidated Mining Company, Slocan Milling Company, and Sandon Water and Light Company. They pay nothing to the province for the privilege, although by using the water they save thousands of dollars annually. The unfairness of this method of disposing of water rights is more manifest where other companies operating in West Kootenay are taxed twenty-five cents for every cord of wood used in generating steam with which to operate hoisting works and air compressors.

NELSON.

Victoria, Feb. 24.

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THE CHEAP MONEY QUESTION.

TO THE EDITOR:—It is a matter of much regret that the "Farmers' Alliance of B. C." is not yet before our legislature with their scheme for obtaining for the farmers of this province money at the lowest possible rate of interest. It is to be sincerely hoped that this most important of all legislation for the material welfare of our fair province will not be overlooked an instant longer than is necessary for its due consideration and formulation.

I feel sure that if our legislators took this matter seriously into consideration, weighing the enormity of our loss by what may truly be styled the worst form of "Absentee Landlordism," and the simplicity and safety of the remedy that can be applied to it, that a very few days would be sufficient to place on the records of the house the necessary legislation.

It is said that our mortgage debts, secured by land, amount to $12,000,000 all told, and I consider this estimate very low. On this amount we are paying 8, 9, 10 and 12 per cent. Allow the average rate to be 9½ per cent., which is also a moderate estimate, and it will be seen that there is 6 per cent. on $12,000,000 or $720,000 per annum more than should be, and which the government can, without the slightest injury to its credit, save to this country, going out of our province. Now sir, I would ask, is there any question before the house this session, or, may I add, has there ever been a question before any previous legislature of British Columbia, involving such an enormous (annual) saving to our people? And what possible excuse could our legislature give for refusing to take up those mortgages by borrowing on the security of our lands, which, if good enough security for the class of men from whom farmers now borrow, to lend the amounts they have on them, are ample security for Shylock himself? All that is necessary for the government to do is to furnish the executive with the necessary powers; to concentrate these securities into one great trust, and to guarantee the transaction. For my part I can see no excuse.

It may be said that it will lessen the government's borrowing capacity for other purposes. On the contrary, I say, it would strengthen its powers by enhancing its security, because it would place in the hands of the government $24,000,000 worth of property; which, with the impetus that farming would receive by virtue of the great saving affected, and which general business and trade would receive by virtue of the money thus saved being put in circulation at home, would increase in value to $35,000,000 or more likely to over $40,000,000 on which would be borrowed the moderate sum of only $12,000,000.

Again the sinking fund which at 2 per cent. would be necessary to collect and put by annually to redeem the debt and enable the farmers to redeem their farms would amount to $240,000 yearly which in case of the government requiring money for improvements; the need for which at our present rate of development will annually grow greater; the government can borrow this sinking fund of the farmers, thus acquiring ready money at a convenient point, and by paying the current government rates of interest on it will help the fund. Thus shall we be mutually assisting one another as all properly governed people should.

It has been said by a member of our legislature that our farmers are thriftless and lazy. This with reference to the farmers of the section to which I belong, the beautiful Okanagan, and for which I am specially pleading I emphatically deny. They are the most industrious and economical class of people to be met with in British Columbia.

It is also said that the farmers of Ontario work harder than ours and that they too, pay heavy rates of interest. May I ask the parties offering these objections whether they have ever heard the term "North American Chinamen" applied to the sons of these over-burdened farmers of Ontario? If they have ever used this term with respect to these worthy people, in fact? If so, they may reserve now for their own neighbors, who are engaged in farming and who are worked as hard and with as little hope for the future as were ever the original N.A.C., the flattering term.

It is also claimed that if our farmers were relieved of their overpowering burden of interest, they would take advantage of the government and refuse to pay their interest.

So much the better for the government, if at all capable of any kind of business; because the land can be resold at, at least, double the mortgage and can be rented at three times the interest (not, of course, including sinking fund. But to obviate any possibility of this kind, is it not easy to appoint appraisers and collectors altogether independent of political influence. We are not troubled much with people refusing to obey our judges, and yet they are only men and appointees of the government.

I have heard it said that some of our farmers are mortgaged for more than they can carry. Not so. If they were mortgaged for more than they can carry at the rate of 5 per cent., or even 7 per cent., and were paying as now 9 per cent. and 10 per cent., with a heavy income tax, they could not survive a single year.

It is further said that miners have as good a right to look for cheap money from the government as farmers. Yes; and let me add, so have gamblers, but their security is not quite the same, nor are the conditions in any particular alike.

Last, but not least, it will be said that merchants will call for cheap money; yes, and they will get it. They will get their overdue bills quickly paid by the farmers (a matter the benefit of which can hardly be calculated); they will get their full share of at least $500,000 per year saved by this scheme which is now going to our foreign landlords; they will get the money of these foreign landlords, which will be handed back to them, with thanks, at very low rates of interest. In a word, they will derive more advantage (if any difference) from the scheme than the farmers themselves.

Leave the matter to a vote of the merchants and townspeople and it will be carried by acclamation, or I am mistaken. If the F. A. is remiss in its duty the government can do nothing better than to take the initiative in this all-important matter.

Hoping I have not intruded on your space, I have tried to be brief, and perhaps have succeeded too well in that respect.

D. RABBITT.

Vancouver, Feb. 23, 1897.

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PUPILS' "HOME WORK"

TO THE EDITOR:—The following resolution was introduced by a trustee at a meeting of the school board of an Eastern municipality:

"That the home work in future be a review of work done, and not work that the children must have assistance of older persons before they can do it; and to be so limited as not to take more than an hour for an average pupil; and that a punishment book be kept in each school, in which the principal shall record all cases of corporal punishment, stating why, when and how such corporal punishment was administered."

There is an immense amount of common sense in the first part of the foregoing resolution, and in my opinion should be introduced into our system in this city. A large percentage of parents are unable to instruct their children in the many problems which their children are given in "home work"; and where assistance is rendered pupils are given credit for work which is really done by one of the family, while those who are unfortunate and not able to get assistance are in many cases discouraged by the apparent success of the fortunate ones. "A review of the work done," in accordance with instructions received by the teacher, would be of greater advantage to the pupil and in the majority of cases more lasting. A large number of parents have forgotten the way of imparting knowledge to children as taught in the public school, and in their endeavor to instruct their children in the "home work" very often confuse rather than instruct. If the above system was adopted the cry of "cramming" children with a number of subjects would in all probability be less heard of.

PARENT.

NOTICES.

[L.S.] E. DEWDNEY.

CANADA.

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

VICTORIA, by the Grace of God, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, QUEEN, Defender of the Faith, &c., &c., &c.

To Our Faithful the members elected to serve in the Legislative Assembly of Our Province of British Columbia at Our City of Victoria—GREETING.

A PROCLAMATION.

D. M. Eberts, Attorney-General.

WHEREAS We are desirous and resolved, as soon as may be, to meet Our people of Our Province of British Columbia, and to have their advice in Our Legislature:

NOW KNOW YE, that for divers causes and considerations, and taking into consideration the ease and convenience of Our loving subjects, We have thought fit, by and with the advice of Our Executive Council of the Province of British Columbia, to hereby convoke, and by these presents enjoin you, and each of you, that on Monday, the Eighth day of the month of February, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven, you meet Us in Our said Legislature or Parliament of Our said Province, at Our City of Victoria, FOR THE DISPATCH OF BUSINESS, to treat, do, act, and conclude upon those things which in Our Legislature of the Province of British Columbia, by the Common Council of Our said Province may, by the favor of God, be ordained.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We have caused these Our Letters to be made Patent, and the Great Seal of the said Province to be hereunto affixed: WITNESS, the Honourable EDGAR DEWDNEY, Lieutenant-Governor of Our said Province of British Columbia, in Our City of Victoria, in Our said Province, this 29th day of December, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six, and in the sixtieth year of Our Reign.

By command.

JAMES BAKER,
Provincial Secretary.

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NOTICE.

Assessment Act and Provincial Revenue Tax.

NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with the Statutes, that Provincial Revenue Tax and all taxes levied under the Assessment Act are now due for the year 1897. All of the above named taxes collectible within Victoria City, South Victoria and Esquimalt Electoral Districts, North Saanich, Rupert, Sayward, Quatsino, Coast and Queen Charlotte Island Land Districts, with parts of Barclay and Clayoquot Districts assessed by me, are payable at my office.

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NOTICE—POISON.

Broadmead Farm, Saanich Road.

Having frequently lost sheep by dogs worrying, chasing and killing them within the last few months, and yesterday having lost 23 ewes and 2 valuable rams from same cause, I feel reluctantly compelled to adopt such measures for the protection of my flocks as are available. I therefore notify the public that poison will be placed on said farm on and after this date.

R. P. RITHET.

4th February, 1897. fe5

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NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made to the Dominion Parliament at its next sitting for a private bill to incorporate a Company for the purpose of constructing, equipping, maintaining, and operating a railway from a point on the south boundary line of British Columbia, between the 134th and 136th degrees of Longitude, at the head of Lynn Canal, and thence northerly and westerly by the most feasible route to the north boundary line of British Columbia, with power to construct maintain, and operate branch lines and all necessary bridges, ferries, and wharves, and construct, own, and operate telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and branches, and to build, own, and operate steam and other vessels, to take and use water for generating electricity and other purposes, and to acquire foreshore rights and lands for the right of way, station grounds, and other necessities, and to acquire lands and other bonuses or aids from the Government of Canada and British Columbia, or from any municipality, corporation, or person, to aid in the construction of the said railway, and make traffic and other arrangements with other railway companies or persons, and for all other usual and necessary powers and privileges, and also for power to levy a royalty on all precious metals passing outwards over the said road when constructed.

Dated at the City of Victoria, British Columbia, this 19th day of August, 1896.

DRAKE JACKSON & HELMCKEN,
Solicitors for Applicants.

Victoria, B. C. au23

NOTICE.

Whereas I, Jules Dassonville, Jeweller, of Victoria, B.C., have at different times during the last three months uttered certain slanderous statements concerning Chas. E. Jones, Druggist, of Victoria, B.C., and been instrumental in circulating the same. In consequence he has instituted proceedings for damages against me in the Supreme Court of British Columbia, but in consideration of my apologizing and retracting the said slander, he has consented to forbear the said proceedings. Now I do hereby declare my sincere regret that the said slanders have been circulated by me, knowing that they are wholly false. I promise to retract the same and do all in my power to prevent the further circulation of the same.

J. DASSONVILLE.

Witness:—GEORGE E. POWELL.

Victoria, B.C., February 22, 1897. fe24

NOTICE

We hereby give notice that application will be made at the next sittings of the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria for the transfer of the license to sell spirituous and fermented liquors by retail at the Saint George's Hotel, Esquimalt Road, from ourselves to Mrs. Ann Rothwell.

Dated 21st January, 1897.

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THE RIVERS RUN MAD

Losses of Property by the Middle State Floods Total Many Millions.

Entire Cities Inundated and Thousands of Manufactories Flooded Out.

The reports of damage by flood throughout Kentucky, Ohio, Pennsylvania and other contiguous states, show that first estimates of the destruction done will fall far below the actual. In Portsmouth, Ohio, yesterday, practically half of the population had been exiled, more than 1,000 houses having been so flooded as to be unfit for habitation, and many having floated away. In Cincinnati city, light and railway companies are suffering serious loss, all tracks being submerged and the flood in the river having reached the 60-foot mark. From Pittsburg, the report comes that the great flood has done its worst and the waters are now receding. The river in that vicinity reached a higher stage than at any time since 1884.

Hardly a point on the Monongahela from Fairmont to Pittsburg has escaped damage. Mills built supposedly out of harm's way, were submerged and the damage is not less than $1,500,000 in the Monongahela valley alone. Railroads were unable to move trains; trolley lines were badly wrecked; and beneath several feet of debris there are millions of dollars' worth of valuable machinery. Poor people who lived in small houses along the river banks have been made utterly homeless.

In McKeesport the damage will exceed $500,000, and on the north side (Allegheny) over 3,000 people were cooped up in the second stories of their homes all night, the only means of escape being by boat. Many Allegheny manufacturing concerns have been rendered idle, more than 10,000 men having been made idle by the rise, as many of the mills are located on the banks of the streams.

A large part of Allegheny has apparently been blotted out, and many people are made homeless along the banks of the river. Beginning at Brownsville, on the Monongahela, California, Monongahela City, Charleroi, East and West Elizabeth, Portview, McKeesport, Turtle Creek and many smaller hamlets have been inundated, causing much damage and suffering.

In Kentucky the chief damage is reported from the vicinity of Farmer, that town being entirely submerged. The river at Louisville has reached 24 feet and is still rising at the rate of two inches an hour. The loss to farm property and log booms in Southeastern Kentucky alone will approximate $250,000.

AN OLD-FASHIONED FEEDER.

"He made his way steadily through boiled beef, roast mutton, and baked hare; after which he fed well on a capon. Nor did he forget to drink with it all. He had his head in the glass five times as long as any of them, and drank no less at once than a quart of Rhine wine."

So says Roger Ascham of Charles V. of Germany, at one of the famous dinners given by the Knights of the Golden Fleece. History mentions that His Majesty retired from public life sodden with gout. We can easily believe it.

Eaters and drinkers like him are rare now-a-days. We can't gorge and swill as our ancestors did. Yet rheumatism and gout are much more common with us than they were with them. *Way?*

Perhaps Mr. George Hodson will help us to answer. He says: –

"In October of 1889, I took a severe cold. After this I was attacked with rheumatic gout, which affected my feet and ankles. I was laid up for a month, during which time I suffered severely. The parts were puffed up, red and painful; the joints being stiff.

"Every now and then I had these attacks *for years*. During this time I lost a deal of work. Besides the acute pain my general health gave way, and I suffered from shortness of breath.

"After eating I had much pain at the chest and stomach, my food giving me no strength. From time to time I consulted a doctor and applied fomentations to the painful parts, but I only got ease for the time.

"I took medicines of all kinds that I heard of, but got no real benefit until my mother-in-law, who lives at Oxford, told me of the benefit she had derived from Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup, and recommended me to try it.

"After taking this medicine for a short time I found immense relief; the attacks became less frequent, and I was comparatively free from them. I felt much better and stronger of myself. I have since kept Mother Seigel's Curative Syrup in the house, and taking an occasional dose I keep in fair good health. I have recommended the medicine to many persons in this town, and if you wish to publish this statement you have my permission to do so. Yours truly, (Signed) George Hodson, 111 St. Edmund's Road, Northampton, October 22nd, 1895."

Rheumatism, gout, and what is called rheumatic gout, are variations of what is for all practical purposes the same thing—an inflammation of the joints, muscles, or both, arising from the deposit in them of uric acid, which is itself one of the products of an overworked, or a congenitally weak, digestive system. This acid, being virtually insoluble in water, and a sharp, poisonous crystal, is both a mechanical irritant and a blood poison.

In time it attacks the heart and kidneys, etc., where it combined with the alkalies of the body—produces lesions which cause chronic organic disturbance or, worse still, fatal destruction of tissue. All this, I beg to remind you, comes of long continued *stomach indigestion*, with its result and accompaniment, a sluggish and inefficient liver. For the human body is not a congeries of distinct organs, but *one intro-active organism*. When, therefore, the stomach goes wrong they *all* go wrong. So every twinge and pang of the rheumatic-gout family can be traced *straight back to the broken or ruined digestion*.

Mother Seigel's Syrup cures indigestion, dyspepsia and torpid liver; and *that* is why it cures gout, rheumatism, and rheumatic gout. It goes down to the root of the trouble.

We have more of this disease than our ancestors had, because they, being strong and vigorous, escaped many of the effects of their own excesses. But they made us the heirs of the feeble stomachs and the inactive livers; and the modern Englishman is punished for the dietetic sins of his fathers. That was probably the case with Mr. Hodson; and there are thousands of other sufferers who will be glad to hear what he says in praise of Mother Seigel's Syrup as a remedy for their common ailment.

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SPRING STYLES.

Full Mantles and Short Capes—Sleeves Surely Diminishing—Some Quite Light.

The new capes will be short, falling little below the waist, while mantles and pelisses will extend to the foot of the skirt and be cut in a similar bell shape. As the width of skirts is visibly decreasing, these long mantles will also diminish in amplitude. For ordinary service they are made most frequently of thin mixed goods, which wear well and show neither dust nor the effects of dampness. These long, full garments are most frequently mounted on a yoke to avoid the clumsiness of gathers around the neck, but the yoke is concealed by a capuchin with revers. The band itself may be full and round or pointed and flat, and it is lined with silk. The body of the mantle is usually unlined. There are two openings in front for the arms, which are marked by folds, bows of ribbon or bands of passementerie. The back is held in to the figure at the waist line.

The proportions of sleeves are decidedly diminishing. The sleeves of both gown bodices and outside garments show the fullness confined to the upper part of the

TAILOR COSTUME.

arm and composed of less material. The rest of the sleeve is quite flat and close. It is often elongated at the wrist to extend over the hand in the mediæval style. The sleeve may be trimmed with revers or with jabots of lace or plaited mousseline or tulle and with jeweled buttons.

Some bodices show the sleeve entirely close from shoulder to wrist, this severity being softened by a bow or slight drapery at the top, a cascade of lace or a small empire balloon.

The gown illustrated is of beige cloth. The skirt has godets at the back, while the tablier is embroidered with a pattern in beige silk. The sides button over on the tablier with large ornamental buttons. The close bodice forms a slight point at the back and has a square plaited guimpe of beige satin framed by large embroidered revers of cloth. An embroidered corselet piece buttons on in front below the guimpe. Emerald green velvet ribbons are carried down each side of the guimpe and terminate at the front corners in bows. The draped collar is also of emerald velvet. The gigot sleeves have mediæval cuffs.

JUDIC CHOLLET.

SUMMER WRAPS.

Capes to Be Different This Summer—Light Fabrics Rule.

It is said that there is to be a great change in capes for summer use. They will still be worn a great deal, but instead of being uniformly round in shape, as hitherto, they are to be cut up in one place, lengthened in another, elongated into two ends in front, opened with revers of silk over plaited mousseline de soie and fringed with loops of ribbon, which will take the place of the fur tails worn during the winter. They will be trimmed in a point at the back and held in to the waist by bows. The portion falling over the arms will consist of full lace to avoid crushing the light sleeves of the gown beneath. A great deal of light fabric will be employed, plaited mousseline de soie or gauze, gathered, embroidered, beaded and otherwise elaborated. Enormous ruches around the neck will be the rule, rising to the ears and extending almost to the shoulders. Great knots of ribbon choux of mousseline and jeweled ornaments will compose the trimmings.

Very pretty models are shown made of silk grenadine in black or colors, embroid-

NEW CAPE.

ered in different tones. There are also capes of plain grenadine over colored silk, usually taffeta or glace moire. Black lace with cream applications forms one of the most effective combinations in these fanciful capes. Sometimes the applications are also of lace, sometimes of cream or white nainsook or muslin.

Short coats are replacing jackets. They open in front to show a jabot of mousseline or lace or a vest of satin or brocade. The basque is not of equal length all around, the front being cut short. The ripples are less accentuated than they were during the winter and the basque a little longer.

An illustration is given of a cape of old red cloth lined with black satin. It is laid in plaits over the shoulders and is open in front and adorned with a stole of black velvet. The capuchin, of cloth, lined with red and black plaid silk, forms revers in front. The hat accompanying this cape is of black English straw and is trimmed with plaid ribbon in black, red and yellow.

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THE TOWN OF GRAND FORKS Has sprung into existence within the last year; early in the spring the place consisted of a few houses. Owing to the rapid opening of the Mines and the travel and traffic consequent on between 4,000 and 6,000 claims having been located, there are now estimated to be over 200 houses and 500 people residing in the town. The principal buildings consist of a three-story and several two-story Hotels, General Stores, Butchers, Bakers, Post Office, The Grand Forks Miner Newspaper Office, Brewery, Assembly Rooms, &c., &c., and all the usual Dry Goods, Millinery, Furniture and other businesses, which with several fine dwellings go to make up a busy town. Surveyors, Lawyers, Assayers, Real Estate Agents, Share and Mine Brokers are now established in business in this place.

AN APPLICATION Is now pending to the Provincial Legislature for an Act of Incorporation, and notices given of two separate Private Bills for Water, Electric Light and Power Companies, also Telephone, Water, etc. All in connection with and to supply the Town of Grand Forks and Suburbs.

LOTS OF 25X120 FEET Are now selling in the Townsite as at present laid out at prices from **$250 to $550.** These lots run about 14 to the acre.

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These Blocks are Adapted for Residences, Orchards or Future Subdivision.

OF THE FUTURE PROSPECTS Of the District, but few words are necessary. Three Lines of Railway are projected to and through this property. The Spokane Falls & Northern are reported to be ready to build in the spring; the Columbia & Western Line, as may be seen at the Lands and Works Office, is projected through the land; The People's Line from the Coast also passes this point, and the C.P.R. Surveyors have run lines through the land during the past year.

A POWERFUL MINING & SMELTING CO. Report their intention of building a **500-Ton Smelter** in the close proximity of this land, and the owners have been applied to for a site for this purpose. Such an industry is warranted from the fact that the Great Volcanic Mine, said to be the largest deposit of copper gold ore now known, purposes to smelt the product of their mine at this point. The Projected Roads make it the most convenient receiving and shipping point, and a leading Bank is said to be about to open an Agency, as the employment of the requiaed labor will circulate a no small sum of money each month.

Maps of the District, Subdivision Maps, etc., can be seen and all information as to Prices and Terms obtained on application to

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A PLEA FOR PROTECTION.

Alaskan Residents Petition the Government for Border Soldiery.

CHICAGO, Feb. 25.—Eli I. Gage, an employe of the North American Transportation and Trading Company, has just returned from the Alaskan gold fields and is on his way to Washington with dispatches from the company, setting forth the urgent needs of the district and asking that troops be stationed in the newer districts to protect life and property from thousands of desperate characters who are said to be swarming over the wild regions in search of gold. P. B. Weare, resident vice-president of the company, will follow up the work of Mr. Gage by going to Washington as soon as President McKinley is inaugurated, and will urge the new administration to send troops to their possessions in Alaska without delay. Mr. Weare claims that the United States interests in that new country make such action necessary. The United States government has no officer in the Yukon gold district except a revenue collector at Circle City.

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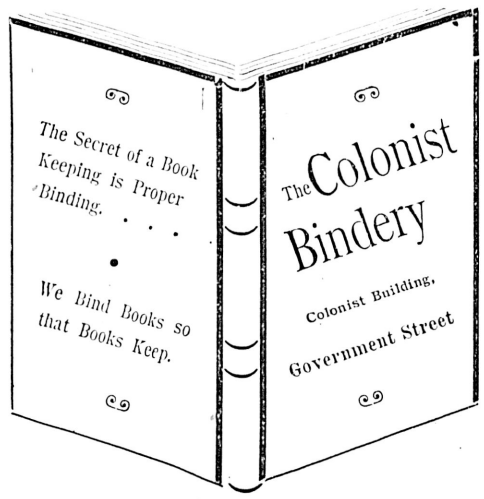

VICTOR JENSEN, deceased.—This is to give notice that I intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria, at the next sitting, for a transfer of the license for the Boomerang Hotel, Court Alley, to sell wine, beer and spirits by retail, now standing in the name of Victor Jensen, to myself, Sarah Jensen.

SARAH JENSEN,
Executrix of the Estate of the late Victor Jensen.

January 29th, 1897. ja30

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Solicitor for the Applicants.

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Per steamer CITY OF KINGSTON from the Sound—Mrs P C L Harris, W J Stephenson, J B H Rickaby, N O Lee, N S Nannon, C H Cerne, H Murcher, R D Turner, A Pierce, Wm Bishop.

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DIED.

WATSON—At the "Alders," South Saanich, on 22rd inst., Mary Phillippa Watson, of Surrey, England, aged 63

Funeral will take place from Saanichton, at 3 p.m., on Friday, 26th inst

YES, YOU CAN GET any kind of cemetery decorations at Bradbury's Monumental Works, on Cormorant street, corner Blanchard street.

THE SENIOR SCHEDULE.

Fixtures in the Series of Matches to Dicide the Association Football Championship.

At the meeting of the B. C. Football Association, held on Monday night last at Nanaimo, only three teams were represented—the Barracks Athletic, Nanaimo and Victoria Wanderers. The following schedule was arranged:

March 13—Wanderers v. Barracks Athletics, at Victoria.
March 20—Barracks A. v. Nanaimo, at Nanaimo.
March 27—Wanderers v. Nanaimo, at Victoria.
April 3—Wanderers v. Barracks A., at Barracks.
April 10—Wanderers v. Nanaimo, at Nanaimo.
April 17—Barracks A. v. Nanaimo, at Barracks.

Two points for a win and one for a draw. The team holding the highest score to take the cup and medals.

The Victoria Wanderers, the holders, are going into training at once, and will endeavor to keep the cup in the Capital city yet another season.

The Victoria Rugby Football Club will play an "England" v. "Colonies" match at Beacon Hill on Saturday afternoon, the following being the teams: England—Full back, A. N. Other; three quarters, Haines, Petticrew, Scholefield and Daniels; halves, A. and G. Goward; forwards, Atkins, O'Brien, Spain, Falconer, Earsman, Williams, Daniels and Phillips. Colonies—Full back, Pemberton; three-quarters, Byrn, Fisher, Gamble and Wilson; halves, Pinder and Anderson; forwards, L. and A. Crease, Innes, Hibben, Langley, O'Reilly, G. Johnston and R. Wm. Dunsmuir.

The boys of the Fifth division, South Park school, defeated a similar division of the Central school, at Association, on Beacon Hill yesterday afternoon by 3 goals to nil.

A meeting of the B.C. Intermediate Football Association will be held in the Y.M.C.A. rooms to-morrow at 8 p.m.

At the whist tournament of the J.B. A.A. last night, Mr. J. A. McFarland took the first prize with the total of eleven games out of fifteen. The booby prize was awarded to Mr. W. McFee, whose score stood at—11.

The whist contest between the members of the Victoria Chess players and the team from the Arion Club will take place on Thursday evening next, March 4. Every arrangement will be made for the comfort of guests.

THIS week's Gazette contains notice of the incorporation under the Benevolent Societies Act of 1891 of Loyal Dauntless lodge No. 177, C.O.O.F.

THE sixth A and B class monthly medal competitions of the Victoria Golf Club will be played at the links at Oak Bay to-morrow, and to-day the ladies of the club play their sixth monthly medal competition.

THIS week's issue of the British Columbia Gazette contains a list of 32 new joint stock companies, incorporated within the past seven days for the purpose of developing mining properties within British Columbia's boundaries. The combined capitalization, together with that of the companies not yet gazetted and the companies incorporated under Imperial act, make the immense total of over $44,880,000.

AN OPEN VERDICT.

Continued from page Five.

James Fletcher, recalled, on being questioned by the chief of police and the coroner recollected that he had seen Baines and McArthur make "passes" at one another. He would swear that Rose did not come between Baines and the deceased and separate them. After the apology McArthur had tried to again attack Baines.

"I did hold Baines," he said, "but he got away from me and tried to get at McArthur."

The foreman here told witness that the only reason the jury had for asking for the recall of himself and Rose was that they might correct their evidence. According to witness' own statement his former evidence was at the least a plot to try to cover up the whole matter, if not absolute untruth and even perjury.

Rose was then re-called and after hearing his former evidence read over was questioned by the coroner and Chief Shepherd. He totally denied having seen anything partaking of the nature of a fight, and absolutely denied the statement made by previous witnesses that he had come between Baines and deceased to put an end to the struggle.

The coroner in speaking to this witness expressed entire lack of confidence in his testimony.

In addressing the jury, the Coroner said he could not see that they could bring in a satisfactory verdict as to how the death wound was caused, though the fact that the wound on the neck was the cause of death was beyond reasonable doubt. The witnesses, with the exception of Baines, upon whom, it might be said, the most suspicion would rest, and Mr. Corcoran—who both gave straightforward testimony—were most unsatisfactory, evidently trying to conceal what took place in the card room, in order to shield some comrade whom they might think was liable to get into trouble. Another point that a juror had dwelt upon was that of supplying liquor to intoxicated persons; he suggested that the jury might bring in a rider suggesting a movement to the legislature towards making such an action illegal and punishable by a fine for the first offense and subsequently by removal of license.

After an absence of about half an hour the jury brought in the following verdict:

"We the jury sworn to inquire into the death of the late James McArthur find that the deceased, a marine engineer, aged 52 years, who resided on John street, city of Victoria, came to his death on Saturday, the 20th day of February, at or about 10:45 p.m., on the south side of Johnson street in front of the London block, between Broad and Douglas streets, the cause of death being hemorrhage on the brain, brought about from the effect of a blow or fall, the wound being behind the left ear. From the evidence given we are unable to ascertain how or where the deceased received the fatal injury.

Phil. C. Jackson of the British Columbia Canning Co., Deas Island, is in the city for a few days and staying at the Dominion.

Chas. Wilson, Q.C., Vancouver, arrived last night, in connection with some of the appeals coming before the sitting of the full court which opens on Monday. He is registered at the Driard.

FARMERS' ALLIANCE.

Delegates Present Their Petitions to the Government and Receive Promise of Consideration.

The Farmers' Alliance delegation interviewed the ministers of the provincial government yesterday afternoon, and presented the following resolutions:

"That this convention of representative farmers from the several districts of the province resolves that it is necessary in the interest of the province at large that this question of financial interest should be taken up by the government and legislature at the earliest possible date, either in the form of a loan to the farmers direct, advanced upon the security of their holdings, or, if it can be done by the province issuing legal tender, provincial paper money, or else by passing legislation whereby our farmers may be enabled to organize themselves into co-operative settlers' unions or associations and issue terminable mortgage certificates or debentures upon the united security of the union or association, and of the land held by them, under government supervision, and upon which mortgage securities or debentures the government may be authorized to guarantee the interest to the extent of 4 per cent., thus enabling the farmers to help themselves in the matter.

"That the government be urged to grant no charter to a private person or persons for the purpose of constructing a railroad, and that all railroads be under government supervision and run for the public welfare."

Several amendments to the Farmer's Institute were also asked for, the chief of them being the matter contained in the first resolution.

The removal of the mortgage tax was also mooted, and free transmission for agricultural literature through the post. The ministers present were Hon. J. H. Turner, Hon. G. B. Martin, Hon. D. M. Eberts, Q.C., and Hon. James Baker, and the following members of the legislature—Major Mutter, Messrs. J. B. Kennedy and Thomas Forster, who promised to give the matters presented due consideration. The delegates were: H. T. Thrift, of Hazlemere, Surrey; W. H. Hayward, metchosin; R. McBride, Richmond; A. S. Vedder, Chilliwack; Capt. Thompson, Mission; D. Rowan, Richmond; and J. Ridley, Langley.

THE judgment of the Full court upholding the constitutionality of the coal mines regulation act, forbidding the employment of Chinese underground in coal mines, is to be tested in the Supreme Court of Canada, notice of appeal having been given yesterday.

MONTREAL, which has been counting firmly upon the final sessions of the Behring Sea Claims Commission, will after all be disappointed, a special to the COLONIST from Ottawa last night announcing that the decision has been reached in favor of Charlottetown, P. E. I. The final meeting for the hearing of argument and making of the award will be held there in August.

The line of Crossley's carpets just received by Weiler Bros. should be seen by all intending purchasers. x

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SECOND THOUGHTS WERE BEST.

The Recalcitrant Crew of the "Lydenhorn" Return to Duty—Tug "Vancouver" Still in Statu Quo.

Not until they were again confronted with the irons aboard ship did the crew of the British bark Lyderhorn, convicted and sentenced a few days ago to one week's imprisonment for refusing duty, consent to work when returned to the vessel under custody yesterday. Capt. Weston asked each separately if he would return to work, and received four emphatic refusals before getting one promise. Then all compromised and the whole trouble was at an end. One of the eleven, however, will not leave on the vessel. He has trouble of another sort to worry him, being now in the hospital suffering from a frozen hand, from which some of the fingers may have to be amputated.

STILL HARD AND FAST.

Success has not yet attended the work done towards floating the tug Vancouver off the rocks at Oak Bay. Meanwhile the tug lies high on her perch, but resting more easily than when she first struck, on account of the support given by two scows lashed to her stern. A more pretentious effort to get her clear of the rocks will be made early this morning, when the tide is at a higher stage than during any other part of the day. The work is being conducted by contractor T. P. West, whose large pile-driver will be employed in this morning's attempt.

NO DISCORD AT ALL.

Alex. McDermitt, one of the stevedoring firm which loaded the ship Speke, discharging cargo at the outer wharf, feels incensed over a paragraph appearing the Vancouver World on Tuesday. The fault of the ship listing is not yet determined, he says, nor will it be until the second survey is held on her. The item, which he thinks is inspired by malice, is further corrected by Captain Wainwright, who says he has been perfectly satisfied with his relationships with the stevedores, and therefore had no cause for interference with the latter's work, as reported.

SEALERS ON THE WEST COAST.

Tug Lorne, Capt. Langley, from sea yesterday, reported having spoken the sealing schooners E. B. Marvin and Triumph about 20 or 40 miles off the Cape, with their boats out. The schooners had had bad luck, not having taken over 50 skins together, of which the Marvin obtained 20. They had met with no accident, however, and all hands aboard were in good health. The Lorne to-day takes the Lyderhorn to sea.

EVERYTHING O.K.

The cannery steamer Edith, which the Albion Iron works have just completed for Findlay, Durham & Brodie, made a trial trip yesterday afternoon, and with the exception of a pump her machinery worked beautifully. The steamer developed good speed and indicated satisfactory seagoing qualities when in bumpy water. She will make another trip on Monday by which time the defect in the pump will be remedied.

MARINE NOTES.

The tug Chieftain returns North today, and will act as cannery tender again this year.

ENTERED.

Str. Charmer	from	Vancouver.
" City of Kingston	"	Port Townsend.
" Rosalie	"	" "
" Princess Louise	"	N. Westminster.
" Evangel	"	Port Angeles.
" Lorne	"	Sea.
Sch. Sierra	"	James Island.

CLEARED.

Str. Charmer	for	Vancouver.
" City of Kingston	"	Port Townsend.
" Rosalie	"	" "
" Princess Louise	"	N. Westminster.
" Evangel	"	Port Angeles.
" Lorne	"	Sea.

PERSONAL.

W. S. Norman of Spokane is in town.

Chief Justice Davie returned from the Mainland last night.

F. Pemberton was a passenger arriving by the Charmer yesterday.

Capt. William Moore arrived home from Vancouver yesterday evening.

E. A. Wadhams, salmon canner of Fraser river, arrived in town last night.

Mrs. C. P. L. Harris returned yesterday from a visit to Puget Sound friends.

Capt. Gaudin of the department of marine was a passenger by the Charmer yesterday.

J. H. B. Rickaby of the Hudson's Bay Co., arrived over from Seattle by the City of Kingston yesterday.

C. D. Rand of Sandon and H. G. Blackwell of Spokane returned to Vancouver this morning.

Capt. Geo. Fisher, Vancouver, came over by the Charmer last evening and is registered at the Dominion.

A. L. Belyea, A. St. G. Hammersley and A. W. Taylor were passengers inwards by the Vancouver boat last night.